

# HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS AND VICTIMS RESOURCE CENTER



## INTERNATIONAL TRACING SERVICE COLLECTION RESEARCH REQUEST FORM

### WHAT IS THE INTERNATIONAL TRACING SERVICE COLLECTION?

The International Tracing Service (ITS) was established by the Allies after World War II to help reunite families separated during the war and to trace missing individuals. Located in Bad Arolsen, Germany, the ITS archive contains more than 100 million documents relating to approximately 17.5 million victims of Nazism who were subjected to arrest, deportation, murder, forced labor, slave labor, and displacement through the end of World War II and beyond.

### THE INTERNATIONAL TRACING SERVICE ARCHIVAL COLLECTION AT THE UNITED STATES HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM

The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum has been designated the American repository of a full digital copy of the ITS archive. The collection is open to the public at the Museum. The staff of the Holocaust Survivors and Victims Resource Center is available to answer requests for information from the ITS records. Priority is given to survivors and their families.

Please note that the ITS collection does not contain documentation for all victims and survivors of Nazi persecution. If documentation is found, the requester will receive a copy of the documents with an explanation of the basic information contained in them.

### REQUESTING INFORMATION FROM THE INTERNATIONAL TRACING SERVICE RECORD

For direct access and personal on-site assistance, please visit the Holocaust Survivors and Victims Resource Center on the Museum's Second Floor from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., seven days a week (except federal holidays and Yom Kippur).

Requests can also be submitted online by completing the research request form at [www.ushmm.org/resourcecenter/service/](http://www.ushmm.org/resourcecenter/service/). You may obtain paper request forms by calling toll free 866.912.4385. Paper request forms should be mailed to

**Holocaust Survivors and Victims Resource Center  
United States Holocaust Memorial Museum  
100 Raoul Wallenberg Place, SW  
Washington, DC 20024-2126**

**Tel 202.488.6130; Fax 202.314.7820  
E-mail [resourcecenter@ushmm.org](mailto:resourcecenter@ushmm.org)  
[ushmm.org/resourcecenter](http://ushmm.org/resourcecenter)**

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Please submit a separate form for each person you are seeking information about.

## INFORMATION ABOUT YOU

Name of person completing this form\* \_\_\_\_\_

Street address\* \_\_\_\_\_

City:\* \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province\* \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal code\* \_\_\_\_\_ Country\* \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (*daytime*)\* \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Is this request being submitted by or on behalf of a living Holocaust survivor or other victim of Nazi persecution?  
 Yes  No

This person is my (*state relationship, e.g., mother, grandfather*) \_\_\_\_\_

## INFORMATION ABOUT THE PERSON BEING SOUGHT

Please provide as much identifying information as possible in order to increase the chances of finding relevant records. Use the comments area below to provide information not specifically requested but that might be useful, such as the type of work the victim did during the war, other locations where he or she may have spent time, modes and dates of transportation, etc.

Please note that the term “victim” is used here in a broad sense to describe both those who perished in the Holocaust and those who survived. Anyone who was displaced, persecuted, or discriminated against as a result of the racial, religious, ethnic, social, and political policies of the Nazis and their allies can be considered a victim.

First name\* \_\_\_\_\_

Last name\* \_\_\_\_\_

Maiden name (*if applicable, including variants*) \_\_\_\_\_

Any known name variants or aliases \_\_\_\_\_

Did this person survive the war (*if applicable*)?  Yes  No

Father's name (*first and last, if known*) \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's maiden name (*first and last, if known*) \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's name (*if applicable*) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth (*MM/DD/YYYY*)\* \_\_\_\_\_

(*If not known, please indicate approximate year of birth*)

Place of birth (*town/shtetl/city*)\* \_\_\_\_\_ (*country*)\* \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Items marked with an asterisk are essential and required for us to begin research.**

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Prewar residence (*town/shtetl/city and country*)\* \_\_\_\_\_

Known wartime locations, such as camps, ghettos, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

Known postwar locations \_\_\_\_\_

This person is my (*state relationship*)\* \_\_\_\_\_

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Any comments or other information that may help our research: \_\_\_\_\_

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If you are aware of a specific resource in the Museum's collection that you would like us to check, please list the name of the resource:

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Do you need documentation for a compensation or insurance claim?    Yes    No

If yes, which program? \_\_\_\_\_

Please make as many copies of this form as you need for all the people you seek.

## AFTER YOU HAVE COMPLETELY FILLED OUT THIS FORM, PLEASE MAIL IT TO:

Holocaust Survivors and Victims Resource Center  
United States Holocaust Memorial Museum  
100 Raoul Wallenberg Place, SW  
Washington, DC 20024-2126  
Tel 202.488.6130

You may also fax it to the Museum—addressed “Attention: Resource Center”—at 202.314.7820.

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## OUR MISSION

The mission of the Holocaust Survivors and Victims Resource Center is to ensure that the individual experiences of survivors and victims of the Holocaust and Nazi-era persecution are recorded, preserved, and disseminated for future generations. The Museum honors as survivors and victims any persons, Jewish or non-Jewish, who were displaced, persecuted, or discriminated against due to the racial, religious, ethnic, social, and political policies of the Nazis and their collaborators between 1933 and 1945.

**For more information, please visit our Web site at [ushmm.org/resourcecenter](http://ushmm.org/resourcecenter).**

## SUPPORT US

The research and reference services provided by the Holocaust Survivors and Victims Resource Center are made possible, in part, through the generosity of private donors. If you are interested in supporting this important work, please contact [lyavnai@ushmm.org](mailto:lyavnai@ushmm.org).

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